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# ACTION MEMORANDUM

## OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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Action Memorandum No. A-243

Date 10 May 1963

TO : Deputy Director/Intelligence  
SUBJECT : NSAM No. 239, "U. S. Disarmament Proposals"  
REFERENCE:

The DCI requests that you prepare an internal CIA study in regard to the request by the President noted in paragraph 3 of NSAM No. 239.

Lyman B. Kirkpatrick  
Executive Director

Attachment (NSAM No. 239)

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NATIONAL SECURITY ACTION MEMORANDUM NO. 239

TO: The Director, U. S. Arms Control and  
Disarmament Agency  
The Committee of Principals

SUBJECT: U. S. Disarmament Proposals

1. Discussions in the 18 Nation Disarmament Conference at Geneva on both general and complete disarmament and a nuclear test ban treaty have unfortunately resulted in almost no progress. There has been no serious discussion of general and complete disarmament for some time. While discussions of a test ban treaty have shown important developments since the beginning of the 18 Nation Conference, they are now stalled.

2. I have in no way changed my views of the desirability of a test ban treaty or the value of our proposals on general and complete disarmament. Further, the events of the last two years have increased my concern for the consequences of an un-checked continuation of the arms race between ourselves and the Soviet Bloc.

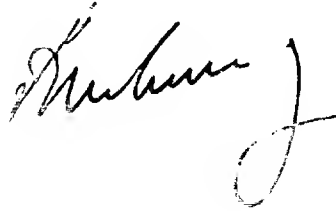
3. We now expect the 18 Nation Disarmament Committee in Geneva to recess shortly for six weeks to two months. I should like the interval to be used for an urgent re-examination of the possibilities of new approaches to significant measures short of general and complete disarmament which it would be in the interest of the United States to propose in the resumed session of the Geneva Conference. ACDA will, in accordance with its statutory responsibilities,

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take the leadership in this effort and coordinate with the other agencies concerned through the usual procedures of the Committee of Principals. I should like to review the results at an appropriate time in the process.

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1. The Office of National Estimates has undertaken to meet your request for a study of probable Soviet responses to new U. S. disarmament initiatives, in consultation with the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. ACDA has informed us that the draft proposals will not be ready until sometime after the first of June.

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